

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is the Nation's oldest major Veterans Service Organization; and

WHEREAS, this nation is strong and free by the loyal citizens who preserve our precious freedoms through their positive patriotic declarations and actions; and

WHEREAS, it is important that we set aside time to remember and honor those who have given so much to ensure that our freedoms continue; and

WHEREAS, patriotism is an important part of our history as it has continually convinced friends and foes that our nation is firmly united in self-preservation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 29, 2004, to be

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS DAY

in Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-eighth day of July in the year of our Lord two-thousand and four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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